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'TOO MANY VICTIMS'

A group of mothers who have lost sons and daughters to drug overdoses is heading to the UN to share their stories of loss

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Donna May holds a photograph of her late daughter Jac on Thursday in Toronto. Jac died in 2012 after overdosing on pain medication prescribed to help her cope with a flesh-eating disease she'd contracted after years of addiction. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Skateboarder left dead after hit-and-run

FATALITY

Police identify the vehicle, give driver chance to come forward

Matt Kieltyka
Metro | Vancouver

An early morning hit-and-run left one man dead in Vancouver on Sunday.

Two men were skateboarding down the 6900 block of Heather Street, near W. 54th Avenue, at 2:30 a.m. when one of them was struck by a vehicle, according to Vancouver police.

"The skateboarder is a man in his 20s from Ontario," said VPD spokesman Sgt. Randy Fincham.

"He was taken to hospital with very serious injuries. He did die in hospital earlier (Sunday) morning following the collision."

Fincham said the man succumbed to his injuries despite the quick action of residents near the scene who performed first aid immediately after the collision.

"Unfortunately," he said, "the driver of the vehicle did leave the scene, didn't stop to render any assistance to the man left severely injured in the road."

The vehicle has been identified as a silver Mitsubishi after investigators collected a "significant amount of evidence" at the scene and video from the surrounding neighbourhood, Fincham told media.

As of Metro's deadline, no arrests had been made.

Vancouver police are making a public plea for help identifying the driver.

"We're asking anyone who sees a silver Mitsubishi that matches the description of having fresh damage to the driver-side front end, or know of a vehicle like this that was taken off the road ... we would appreciate the phone call," said Fincham.

"We don't know why the driver fled the scene. There is enough damage to the vehicle to lead us to believe that the driver does know that he or she hit someone. We're giving the driver the opportunity to come to us and talk to us or explain what happened before we come and find that driver."

Leaving the scene of a collision is a criminal offence, he said.

The Vancouver police collision investigation unit was on scene for most of the day.

Fincham said it was too early to tell whether speed or alcohol were factors in the hit-and-run.

The investigation continues.

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Annual protest comes at cost

4/20

Aquatic Centre will close for 'unsanctioned' annual rally

Concerns about marijuana smoke seeping in to the ventilation system and misuse of city property have prompted the closure of the Vancouver Aquatic Centre on April 20 while an annual pot protest is held nearby.

Vancouver Park Board chairwoman Sarah Kirby-Yung says the facility at Sunset Beach will be closed Wednesday, while thousands of pot-smoking protesters are expected to pack the beach for the 4/20 Smoke Out celebration of cannabis culture.

Kirby-Yung says large intake fans at the Aquatic Centre control humidity and can't safely be turned off, and smoke from the marijuana protest will be drawn into the building.

Vancouver police estimated that last year's crowd reached 15,000, and Kirby-Yung says there is a concern some at this protest could use the centre inappropriately.

The event has been held at the art gallery in downtown Vancouver for several years, but construction at that site prompted organizers to make the unauthorized move to Sunset Beach for this year.

"This is absolutely not sanctioned," said Kirby-Yung. "It is not permitted, it has not been approved by the park board."

She says the board is focused on trying to keep these people from harm and is working with Vancouver police to ensure they're as safe as possible.

"The cost is significant. There's policing efforts that are ramping up, we are having to put lifeguards down there for the day, park rangers to help with education and traffic flow, there is a significant cleanup effort, so it remains to be seen what the final costs of the event are, but it does represent a significant cost to taxpayers."

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TRANSIT TAKING PRECAUTIONS

Transit police presence high for pot protests

Transit police say they will ramp up their presence on buses and at rapid transit stations Wednesday for the annual 4/20 marijuana protest.

In a statement released Friday, police say they responded to "numerous" reports of unruly behaviour on buses before and after past events.

Transit police intend for their officers to conduct "step-ons" on buses in the hope their presence will deter such activity.

Extra officers will also be staffed at Canada Line and SkyTrain stations, according to the department. METRO

HOME FOR A REST THE GO HOME SHOW Spirit of the West frontman John Mann, who suffers from Alzheimer's, performs his final concert at the Commodore Ballroom in Vancouver on Saturday. The West Coast band called it quits after more than 30 years together due to health problems. JONATHAN HAYWARD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Mothers take message to UN

DRUG OVERDOSE

Advocates who have lost children will share stories

Donna May poses in Toronto on Thursday. Nearly four years after her daughter died of an opioid overdose, May will share her story of loss and learning at the UN.
NATHAN DENETTE/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Nearly four years after her daughter died of an opioid overdose, Donna May will share her story of loss and learning at the United Nations.

May's daughter Jac, 35, died on Aug. 21, 2012, after overdosing on pain medication prescribed to help her cope with a flesh-eating disease she'd contracted after years of addiction and life on the streets.

"From the time she passed away until (now), all I've done is advocate for drug policy reform and to have other people receive the education I was given so they don't face the situation the same way I did. And that's my daughter's legacy," May said in an interview from Mississauga, Ont.

May and three other mothers whose children lost their lives to drugs have been invited by the Canadian government to attend a three-day United Nations session that begins Tuesday aimed at addressing the world's drug problem. May is slated to speak at a side event on the final day of the conference.

Other groups from around the world are expected to travel to New York to ask that the UN and governments end the war on drugs.

Last year, the women helped found the group Mothers United and Mandated to Saving the Lives of Drug Users, or mumsDU for short.

It advocates for harm reduction and drug-policy reform, and has since expanded to include about 400 parents of children whose deaths are in some way linked to drugs.

"There are too many victims to the war on drugs," May said.

"And it's not just the victim that you see. We are the victims, (too)."

Fellow co-founder Jennifer Woodside of Vancouver lost her 21-year-old son Dylan Woodside two years ago after he took oxycodone laced with the powerful painkiller fentanyl. He was one of the earliest to die in a series of fentanyl-linked deaths that is still claiming lives across Canada.

"This is a big epidemic. ... These are everyday people with everyday stories," Woodside said. "I think we've got our head in the sand if you think it can't affect you."

Her personal goal for the upcoming UN session is to give her son a voice and to make sure he didn't die in vain, she said.

MumsDU has made inroads in its advocacy, successfully lobbying the government to make the overdose-reversal medication naloxone available without a prescription.

Leslie McBain will travel from her home on Pender Island, B.C., to New York on behalf of the group.

She would like to see international drug policy move away from a punitive approach and toward a system that places more emphasis on health and social care.

> **The war on drugs has been a war on our families.**
> Lorna Thomas

A successful outcome from the UN meeting would be a clear declaration that the war on drugs has failed, McBain said, pointing to Portugal and its decriminalized approach to drug control as a model to emulate.

Her son, Jordan Miller, died of an oxycodone overdose in Victoria in early 2014.

"The war on drugs has been a war on our families," said Lorna Thomas, another mumsDU co-founder from Edmonton.

"The starting point for it, that we were going to punish people out of using drugs has failed. People will continue to use drugs and we need to acknowledge that reality and keep people safe."

One consequence of the recent spate of fentanyl-related overdoses is the changing dialogue around addiction and drug abuse, given the sheer number of deaths linked to the illicit substance, said Thomas.

She pointed to the cost of convicting and imprisoning people, noting that money could be spent on harm-reduction strategies instead.

"There has been a lot of stigma and judgment around people who use drugs," Thomas said."If you judge people you have no time to love them. We need to stop with the stigma and judgment and open our hearts and help people to make better choices."

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FALSE CREEK

Diesel spill has coloured harbour: Coast guard

A small diesel slick spotted in Vancouver's False Creek and nearby English Bay isn't large enough to attempt a cleanup, according to a Canadian Coast Guard spokesman.

Dan Bate said the colourful slick was reported early Friday but crew members determined they wouldn't be able to recover the thin sheen of fuel from the water.

"There was a Western Canada Marine vessel that was nearby, they took a look at the spill, which they determined to be a non-recoverable sheen." Western Canada Marine was the official clean-up crew that skimmed the English Bay last year when a grain carrier spilled 2,700 litres of bunker fuel into the water.

Bate said the latest sheen is expected to evaporate quickly and will be broken up by wind and sun.

He said a small amount of fuel can spread over a large area. The coast guard couldn't find the origin of the spill. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Public art project 'on track'

EMPIRE FIELDS

Proposal was controversial when pitched last year

Emily Jackson
Metro | Vancouver

A rendering of the Home and Away public art coming to Vancouver's Empire Fields. CONTRIBUTED

A massive piece of public art is on track to take its place at the newly renovated Empire Fields, but the scale of the project — and possible safety hazards — will have engineers working through the summer to get it installed by fall.

The Seattle artists who came up with Home and Away, a scoreboard-inspired installation that sparked controversy when it was first proposed one year ago, are finalizing the engineering drawings for the 14.6-metre tall, interactive structure, Vancouver park board chair Sarah Kirby-Yung said.

"It's obviously a large installation," Kirby-Yung said of the primary-coloured, $400,000 piece that will feature two bleachers and perhaps even a slide.

"I know people are excited and want to get it done. It's on track for this year."

Safety is the park board's main concern when it comes to the project, which will spend the summer going through a series of permits and approvals, Kirby-Yung said.

The park board wants to make sure due diligence is done so visitors can walk up the bleachers to enjoy the view without any worries.

The project was delayed last spring so the park board could consult with the public. The vast majority (more than 90 per cent) of the approximately 400 people who gave feedback supported the project or had no comment.

The handful that didn't like it worried that the sculpture was too expensive or would block their views.

> **They're meant to evoke a spirit of fun.**
> Sarah Kirby-Yung

Kirby-Yung said she's excited to see what the final project looks like when, if all goes to plan, it is complete by late October.

"They're meant to evoke a spirit of fun," she said.

The art is part of a multi-million dollar, decades-long revitalization of Hastings Park. Last summer the park board completed the $10-million phase that included the activity-loaded Plateau Park and the new track at Empire Fields.

CHARTER CHALLENGE

Prisoners getting addiction therapy after court settlement

Prisoners struggling with opiate addictions in British Columbia jails have gained the same right to medical treatment as people outside the corrections system.

B.C. Corrections has implemented a new policy after four men who alleged they were denied opiate replacement therapy launched a charter challenge last month.

The men, who are addicted to opiates and range in age from their 20s to late 40s, are now under the care of doctors after a settlement that will also give other prisoners access to timely therapy.

"We know, regrettably, there are drugs in provincial and federal institutions," their lawyer Adrienne Smith said Friday. "The fentanyl epidemic doesn't stop at the prison gate.

"This is a step in the right direction to keep people well, particularly when they're at a good place being able to ask for medical support."

The new policy comes as the province's medical health officer Dr. Perry Kendall declared Thursday that B.C. is facing a public health emergency involving overdoses involving drugs such as the opioid-based pain killer fentanyl.

Dr. M-J Milloy, of the B.C. Centre for Excellence in HIV/AIDS, said that under Canadian law, health care must be equivalent for people inside and outside corrections facilities.

"Anything that moves us closer to that being the reality ... is a good thing," said the infectious-disease epidemiologist.

Opioid addicts who have been released from prison are at greater risk of suffering a fatal overdose, Milloy said. A Washington state-based study in The New England Journal of Medicine found opioid dependent people were 12 times more likely to face that risk in the two weeks following release, he said.

> **The fentanyl epidemic doesn't stop at the prison gate.**
> Adrienne Smith

B.C. Corrections' current policy follows the same guidelines for administering suboxone or methadone treatment to opioid addicts as set out by the College of Physicians and Surgeons of B.C.

That means any addicted prisoner seeking help can request therapy during an appointment with a jail doctor.

Suboxone, which is now listed in the policy as the first line of treatment for prisoners, can be dissolved under the tongue in tablet form. Methadone is administered as a liquid that's usually mixed with orange juice.

An application for injunction and notice of civil claim was filed on March 18 as the four prisoners sought therapeutic prescriptions but alleged they were repeatedly told they were required to be in custody for at least three months before being eligible for treatment.

B.C. Corrections spokeswoman Cindy Rose said in a statement that methadone has been available in jails since 2002 and suboxone since 2010.

Rose declined to discuss the process leading to the settlement or the terms, and said B.C. Corrections was working on updating the opiate addiction treatment policy before the prisoners' legal challenge.

"B.C. Corrections will continue to offer treatment in conjunction with substance abuse management programs," she said. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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POLICING

Clark says the gang activity in Surrey is 'unacceptable'

Thandi Fletcher
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British Columbia's premier says a $23-million boost for a guns and gangs strategy is a step toward bolstering public safety in Surrey and across the province.

Premier Christy Clark announced the new funding at a news conference Friday in Surrey, where ongoing gang violence and a recent spate of shootings have left the community shaken.

"People here ... have felt unsafe, and we can't live in a democratic, civil society where people feel unsafe," said Clark, flanked by the public safety minister, RCMP officers and the mayor of Surrey. "This activity from gangs here in Surrey and in British Columbia is unacceptable."

The extra funding will add two more 10-person teams to the anti-gang Combined Forces Special Enforcement Unit, which has an annual budget of about $60 million, along with a new Office of Crime Reduction and Gang Outreach to help people escape gang life, said Clark.

As part of the funding, to be doled out over three years, more prosecutors will also be put on cases in Surrey that involve offenders with lower-level ties to guns and gangs, ensuring more cases go to trial.

The provincial government is also adding $450,000 to the Crime Stoppers budget to ensure tipsters are given a cash award for every tip that leads to a conviction for gang activity.

Clark said the province is reviewing legislation on access to firearms and electronic monitoring for people awaiting court dates, and aims to work with the federal government to change laws related to guns.

An amnesty program will also allow people to surrender unauthorized firearms and ammunition without fear of legal repercussions. In 2013, a similar program brought in 1,801 firearms and more than 30,000 rounds of ammunition for destruction.

She said the new strategy is aimed at combating gang and gun violence in every region of B.C. because the problem is provincewide.

"We know that when we undertake tough enforcement in one city, many of those ... gang members, just like cockroaches, find their way to other cities around the province," she said.

"We need to be integrated in our approach to fighting gangs."

$23 million

The amount of new funding announced for a guns and gangs strategy, which will add two more 10-person teams to the anti-gang Combined Forces Special Enforcement Unit, which already has a budget of $60 million.

Premier Christy Clark speaks to reporters at a news conference Friday about a $23-million funding boost for the province's guns and gangs strategy. FLICKR: B.C. GOVERNMENT

> **We can't live in a democratic, civil society where people feel unsafe.**
> B.C. Premier Christy Clark

STABBING

Warning, warrant issued

Vancouver police say they have arrested a man and are searching for another believed to be responsible for stabbing a stranger in a random attack last month.

In broad daylight on March 19, at about 1 p.m., two strangers allegedly attacked a 50-year-old man in the south lane of the 2300-block of Eton Street, according to Vancouver police. The victim was taken to hospital with life-threatening stab wounds and is recovering at home.

Const. Brian Montague said investigators believe the attack was "completely random." While the two alleged attackers are familiar with each other, he said they don't appear to have any connection with the victim.

"I don't know what the provocation was," Montague told reporters, adding that earlier reports that the victim was targeted because he was a "binner" appear to be unfounded.

"I don't know why these two men allegedly turned and attacked and stabbed this individual, but from our perspective at this point, there doesn't appear to be any logical reason."

Police arrested a Vancouver man in connection with the incident Tuesday.

Clifford Jackson, 32, was taken into custody without incident at a home near McGill and Nanaimo streets.

He has been released with conditions and has been charged with aggravated assault.

But Montague said his alleged accomplice remains at large and is wanted on a Canada-wide warrant for aggravated assault.

Police allege that Adam Ferreira, 30, of Vancouver was the second man involved in the attack.

While Ferreira doesn't have a criminal record, Montague said he has had several run-ins with police.

Anyone who sees or knows the whereabouts of Ferreira is asked to not approach him and to call 911 immediately.

THANDI FLETCHER/METRO

Adam Ferreira, 30, wanted on a Canada-wide warrant, is alleged to have been involved. VANCOUVER POLICE

IN BRIEF

Another shooting in Surrey; no injuries reported

Police are investigating yet another shooting in Surrey over the weekend.

Surrey RCMP received reports of shots fired at a residence in the 16000 block of 93 Avenue on Saturday shortly before 10:30 p.m., according to a statement. They found evidence of gunfire, but nobody was injured.

Police are urging anyone with information to contact Surrey RCMP or Crime Stoppers.

EMILY JACKSON/METRO

Man pleads guilty over stabbing death

Investigators say a man has pleaded guilty to manslaughter in a fatal stabbing outside an Abbotsford gas station last year.

The Integrated Homicide Investigation Team says 30-year-old Thavone Junior Carlson has been sentenced to five years in prison and three years of probation.

He had been charged with second-degree murder in the death of 35-year-old Trevor Johnson.

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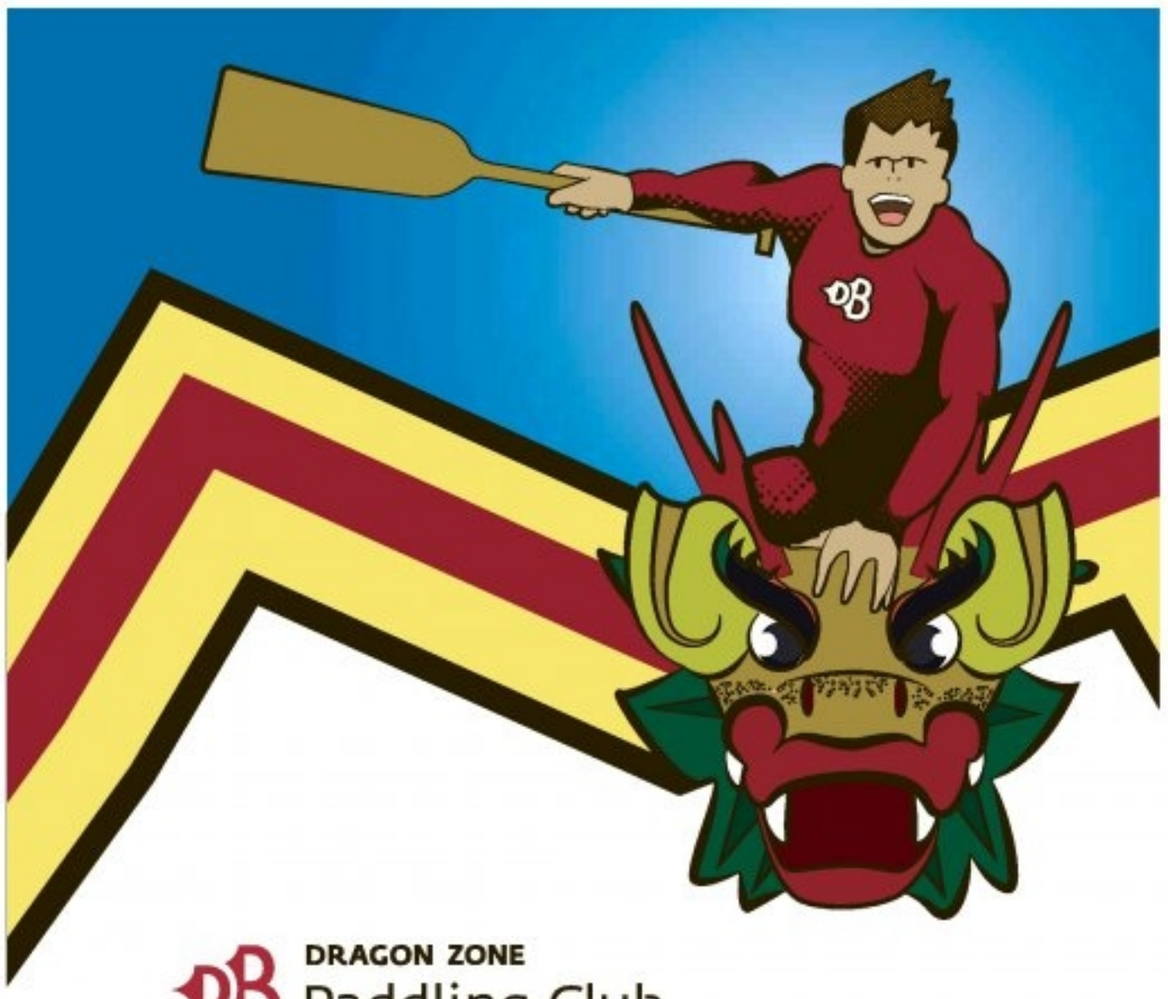

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RACE NICE DAY FOR A RUN Participants of the 2016 Vancouver Sun Run enter the final stretch of the traditional 10-kilometre event as they turn onto the Cambie Street Bridge and head toward the finish line downtown. More than 43,000 people signed up for this year's race, making it the largest race in Canada. Ontario runners won in the men's (Eric Gillis with a time of 28:53) and women's (Lanni Marchant at 32:16) categories. Tristan Smyth, of Lake Country, B.C., won the wheelchair open division with a time of 24:07. MATT KIELTYKA/METRO

Rally held against Grant's Law changes

WORKSAFE B.C.

Father of slain gas-station attendant urges reversal

The father of a gas-station attendant killed while trying to prevent a robbery is calling on British Columbia's workplace-safety agency to reverse changes to regulations inspired by his son's death.

Doug De Patie says WorkSafe B.C. opened the door to unsafe conditions for workers in 2012 when it amended a set of rules known as Grant's Law, named after his son Grant De Patie.

"I think they basically sidestepped the regulations, found a back door and made it possible, if not probable, for workers to be put at risk and be killed," he said on Saturday.

The father made the comments four years and a day after the changes took effect. The B.C. Federation of Labour's Young Workers' Committee held an annual overnight sit-in Saturday outside convenience stores in Victoria and Vancouver.

Grant De Patie, 24, was dragged to his death in Maple Ridge in 2005 after trying to prevent a gas-and-dash robbery of $12.30 worth of fuel. Three years later, B.C. became the first province to enact a regulation that required customers to pay for fuel before filling up.

The province also brought in rules to protect late-night workers that required employers to install protective barriers or staff more than one person on overnight shifts.

But in 2012, WorkSafe B.C. amended the late-night worker rules to allow companies a "third option" to avoid installing barriers and staffing multiple workers if they put in measures including surveillance cameras, a time-lock safe and a panic button.

"None of those administrative measures, we think, are enough to protect workers," said B.C. Federation of Labour president Irene Lanzinger. "The government clearly put the interests of the business community ahead of the safety of workers."

Al Johnson, vice-president of prevention services at WorkSafe B.C., said it's the employer's obligation to assess the risk and ensure protocols are in place to address it. THE CANADIAN PRESS

NORTH VANCOUVER

Police searching for suspects after RCMP boat set adrift

Police are looking for two men suspected of untying an RCMP boat in North Vancouver, causing it to drift into the path of other vessels.

North Vancouver RCMP were called early Friday morning when the coast guard reported that the patrol vessel Inkster was adrift and had floated into the path of the Seabus, a commuter ferry that travels Burrard Inlet.

Police and the coast guard got the 20-metre vessel back to the dock undamaged, but Corporal Geoff Harder of the North Vancouver RCMP says in a release that the consequences could have been extremely dangerous.

He says there was real potential for people to be hurt and other boats in the area to be damaged.

Police say video surveillance shows two men untied the boat around 11 p.m. Thursday.

RCMP are investigating several Criminal Code offences related to the incident, and are looking for any information that could identify the two men. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Vehicles of missing couple found

INVESTIGATION

Friend has 'bad feeling' as discovery is made in U.S.

Thandi Fletcher
Metro | Vancouver

Arlington couple Patrick Shunn, 45, and Monique Patenaude, 46, were reported missing Tuesday afternoon by neighbours. Patenaude is a former Metro Vancouver resident. ERIK SHUNN/FACEBOOK

Washington state deputies have found two abandoned vehicles belonging to a former B.C. woman and her husband, who vanished from their rural home earlier this week.

Two vehicles belonging to Patrick Shunn, 45, and Monique Patenaude, 46, were spotted by helicopter in a remote, wooded area in Oso, the Snohomish County Sheriff's Office said in a news release.

Investigators said the Land Rover and Jeep appeared to have gone over an embankment and were found in the same general area of each other — but the couple is still nowhere to be found.

The Arlington couple were reported missing Tuesday afternoon by neighbours.

According to the sheriff's office, Shunn was last seen at his workplace in Kirkland, Wash., on Monday, but did not report for work the next day.

Patenaude was last seen around 1 p.m. Monday, near the couple's residence at the 27800 block of Whitman Road.

> **I hope it brings some kind of lead to the story.**
> Cynthia Fawcett, friend of the missing Monique Patenaude

The sheriff's office said the couple's disappearance is considered suspicious because it is unusual for them not to be in contact with family or friends.

Court records indicate that the couple was involved in a legal dispute. The Seattle Times reported that the dispute involved Shunn and Patenaude's neighbours, some of whom the couple claimed had repeatedly trespassed on their property with unleashed dogs and recreational vehicles.

The sheriff's office said no suspects have been identified in the disappearance and no arrests have been made.

Shunn's brother, Erik Shunn, wrote in a Facebook post on Tuesday that he had a "bad gut feeling" about the couple's disappearance.

"I really hope I am wrong," he wrote.

"But you can't deny the circumstances, and I don't. I'm preparing for the worst but hope for the best."

Cynthia Fawcett, who has been close friends with Patenaude for 25 years, said she also has a "bad feeling" after hearing that her friend was missing.

While she was pleased to hear their vehicles had been found Friday, she said the development doesn't offer any peace of mind.

"I hope it brings some kind of lead to the story, but it doesn't make me feel better because I know that's not in their character," she told Metro.

"The way that they both disappeared, it's not their character. Something's wrong."

Fawcett said she and Patenaude met while working as care aids for developmentally disabled people in a Metro Vancouver group home.

She said Patenaude met Shunn at a Burning Man festival. The couple tied the knot about four years ago after dating long distance between Washington and B.C., she said.

Fawcett described her friends as "outdoorsy" people who both enjoy rural living and have an intense love of animals.

"The two of them just love each other so much," she said.

"We're trying to keep as positive as we can. It's really the only thing we can do right now."

Anyone with information about the couple's whereabouts is asked to call the Snohomish County Sheriff's Office anonymous tip line at 425-388-3845.

MOUNTIE DEATH

Police tried to stop suspect

British Columbia's Independent Investigations Office (IIO) is stepping in to probe a crash that killed a Mountie after revelations that police were trying to stop a suspect vehicle minutes before the collision.

The IIO's probe means there are now three investigations involving the crash that killed 32-year-old Const. Sarah Beckett in a Victoria-area intersection on April 5.

"As the investigation progressed, information pertaining to an attempt by police to stop the suspect vehicle prior to the collision was provided to the IIO B.C. for assessment," said an RCMP statement issued Friday.

The police watchdog was notified when the crash occurred, but did not step in until the new information was revealed.

"The IIO is investigating the circumstances leading up to the collision to determine if the actions or inactions of an officer may have contributed to the collision," said another statement also released Friday by the investigations office.

The agency investigates any police-involved incident where there is a death or serious injury.

The driver of the pickup truck that hit the cruiser was taken into custody, but released the next day without being charged.

Emergency service providers marched side by side along the Old Island Highway towards the Q Centre arena for the regimental funeral service for Const. Sarah Beckett in Colwood last Tuesday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

A criminal investigation has been launched by Vancouver Island RCMP and the probe into the crash is being conducted by the Saanich Police Department.

Hundreds of people lined the procession route before Beckett's funeral last Tuesday as the hearse carrying her remains made its way to the service.

A riderless horse signifying a fallen officer was part of the procession as RCMP officers dressed in traditional red serge uniforms marched in a sombre tribute to their fellow officer.

Thousands more later attended Beckett's funeral at a Colwood ice arena near Victoria, where she was remembered as a deeply committed officer with a quirky sense of humour, and a loving wife and mother.

The 11-year member of the force left behind a husband and two sons aged five and two.

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TORONTO

Woman hops over tiger fence for hat

Toronto Zoo officials are investigating after a video surfaced that shows a woman jumping over the first of two fences that separate zoo-goers from Sumatran tigers.

It appears she hopped the barrier to retrieve a hat. Posted to YouTube on Saturday, the video shows a tiger pacing — clearly agitated, a zoo representative said — on the other side of the interior fence.

Someone can be heard saying, "She jumped in front of it like a moron!" Someone else told the woman: "You're a bad example for everyone else's kids."

Zoo representative Jennifer Tracey said the woman wasn't in danger from the tiger but could have injured herself.

This isn't the first time the zoo's Sumatran tigers have made the news: in 2011, one of the rare tigers was mauled to death by her mate.

According to the zoo's website, there are only about 350 Sumatran tigers left in the wild.

Tracey said staff were away from the tiger pen at the time but added that if a visitor drops an item in restricted areas, he or she should find a staff member and ask for help.

"The barriers are there for a reason. They're not only there for the visitors, but they're also there to protect the animals in our care," she said.

Tracey added that when other guests witness someone behaving recklessly, they should tell zoo staff. In this case, she said, staff weren't notified of the incident until hours later.

She said they're asking for witnesses to come forward to help with their investigation.

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A tiger at the Toronto Zoo after a woman climbed back over one of two fences at the exhibit. YOUTUBE

Early growth corn and blooming canola near Roland, Man. GETTY IMAGES

Prairie farmers see a boon in climate shift

ENVIRONMENT

Warming temperatures allow different, valuable crops

When Kendall Heise started farming about 20 years ago, he grew cool-season grains like wheat and canola — in the harsh climes of Manitoba, it wasn't like he had much choice.

This spring, he plans to also plant warm-season soybeans and corn.

"We were, and still are, somewhat limited in what we can grow because of the cold climate," says Heise. "But it's changing ... spring comes a little earlier and the fall a bit later and we are taking advantage of it."

Western Canada's cold and short growing seasons have historically prevented farmers from planting crops like soybeans. But as temperatures have risen and growing seasons have grown longer, the extra days between the last and first frost have given farmers a chance to grow new, potentially more lucrative, crops.

In a paper in 2011, Paul Bullock, a University of Manitoba professor, analyzed rainfall and temperature data from 12 Prairie weather stations and found that warming from the 1920s to 2000 has allowed farmers to plant more crops that are traditionally grown in the warmer U.S. states.

> Spring comes a little earlier and the fall a bit later, and we are taking advantage of it.
> Kendall Heise

(For the Prairies, scientists have predicted average high temperatures will increase by 2-3 C and lows will increase by about 3 C by mid century. Precipitation is also expected to increase by three to seven per cent.)

In some regions of western Canada, the length of the frost-free period — from the last day of spring when it freezes to the last day of fall when it doesn't — has increased by almost two weeks, substantial in farming terms.

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ROYALS

Canadians divided on the monarchy

Emily Jackson
Metro | Vancouver

Canadians continue to respect Queen Elizabeth II as she prepares to celebrate her 90th birthday on Thursday, but the country is less sold on the idea of keeping the monarchy forever.

While two-thirds of Canadians say the respected Queen should continue to be recognized as head of state, less than half (42 per cent) want the country to maintain its constitutional monarchy for future generations, according to an Angus Reid Institute survey released Monday. Almost the same number (38 per cent) wants out from under the royals' thumbs entirely while the remaining 20 per cent isn't sure.

Part of the problem is the immediate heir to the throne, Angus Reid executive director Shachi Kurl said. Only 46 per cent support Prince Charles, perhaps due to prolonged fallout from the Princess Diana scandal, compared to second-in-line Prince William, who enjoys 63 per cent support.

PARENTAL LEAVE

Minister eyes dedicated time for fathers

The federal government is signalling that when it finally unveils changes to parental leave rules, there will be provisions dedicated exclusively to new fathers.

When Prime Minister Justin Trudeau mused about the idea last month at the United Nations, it was in the context of more gender equality and increasing opportunities for women in the workforce.

In an interview this week, Labour Minister MaryAnn Mihychuk said she's interested in making dedicated paternity leave a part of promised changes to parental leave under the employment insurance program.

Dedicated leave for fathers is already in place in Quebec, where fathers alone are allowed to take five weeks of leave with the provincial benefits system covering 70 per cent of their salary. Elsewhere in Canada, fathers can split up to 35 weeks of leave with new mothers.

Labour Minister MaryAnn Mihychuk said she's keen to see dedicated leave only for fathers allowed on a national scale.

"I'm open to promoting some fairly large changes in that whole sector because families have a tough time — especially when you have preschoolers," she said in an interview this week.

"And if you have children under two, it's a real challenge for those families so I think we want to modernize the system."

The Liberals promised during the election to extend parental benefits under the employment insurance system to 18 months from 12.

The new system wouldn't have a similar increase in benefits, but would instead allow parents to spread one year's worth of payments over a year and a half.

Critics of the plan say such a system would only benefit those women and families who have enough resources to cover expenses during a year where one or both parents have reduced income.

As well, research suggests that the more time women take on maternity leave, the less likely they are to return to full-time work.

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Ecuador death toll on the rise

NATURAL DISASTER

Strong quake kills hundreds, injures more than 2,500

Aid began to flow in Sunday to areas devastated by Ecuador's strongest earthquake in decades and the death toll continued to rise as people left homeless hunkered down for another night outside in the dark.

Officials said the quake killed at least 246 people and injured more than 2,500 along Ecuador's coast. Vice-President Jorge Glas said the toll was likely to rise because a large number of people remained unaccounted for, though he declined to say how many.

Much damage was reported in the cities of Manta, Portoviejo and Guayaquil, which are all several hundred kilometres from the epicentre of the quake that struck shortly after nightfall Saturday.

But the loss of life seemed to be far worse in isolated, smaller towns close to the centre of the earthquake.

In Pedernales, a town of 40,000 near the epicentre, soldiers put up a field hospital in a stadium where hundreds of people prepared to sleep outside for a second straight night. Downed power cables snaked across the streets with no prospect of electricity being restored soon, making it unsafe for many to return to their homes.

The town's mayor said looting broke out Saturday night amid the chaos but with the arrival of 14,000 police and soldiers to towns in the quake zone the situation appeared more under control.

President Rafael Correa, who cut short a trip to Rome to oversee relief efforts, declared a national emergency and urged Ecuadoreans to stay strong.

"Everything can be rebuilt, but what can't be rebuilt are human lives, and that's the most painful," he said in a telephone call to state TV before departing Rome for Manta.

More than 3,000 packages of food and nearly 8,000 sleeping kits were being delivered Sunday. Ecuador's ally, Venezuela, and neighbouring Colombia, where the quake was also felt, organized airlifts of humanitarian aid. The European Union, Spain, Peru and Mexico also pledged aid.

Rescuers scrambled through ruins in the provincial capital Portoviejo, digging with their hands trying to find survivors.

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> **Everything can be rebuilt, but what can't be rebuilt are human lives.** President Rafael Correa

Scenes of destruction after a massive earthquake in Pedernales, Ecuador, on Sunday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

2 Canadians believed to be dead

Federal officials say two Canadians are among at least 246 people killed by a devastating earthquake in Ecuador.

Global Affairs Canada spokeswoman Rachna Mishra confirms two Quebecers were among the victims of the earthquake, centred about 170 kilometres northwest of the capital, Quito.

The agency says consular officials are in contact with the families of the two Canadians, who have not been named.

The 7.8-magnitude earthquake is the strongest to hit Ecuador since 1979, levelling buildings and buckling highways along the Pacific Coast of the South American country.

President Rafael Correa has declared a national emergency and some 10,000 armed forces have been deployed to the earthquake region in addition to 4,600 national police.

Global Affairs has asked friends and relatives of those known to be travelling in Ecuador to contact their emergency response centre.

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U.K. firm Novitas provides loans for divorces at a high 18 per cent interest rate. Now the company is aiming to set up the first Canadian operation of its kind. ISTOCK

Getting a loan to untie the knot

LEGAL

Company lends money to pay for your divorce

When Theresa Emerson left her 29-year marriage, she was a multimillionaire who became penniless and homeless overnight.

As the cash-poor-but-asset-rich dependent spouse, she felt helpless until she found the "fairy godmother of divorce." That was Nicole Noonan, CEO of divorce financing firm Novitas US. She stepped in with a $150,000 US loan to cover Emerson's fight for her share of an estate she estimates is worth $4 million US.

The 18 per cent interest rate attached to the loan is high, but the firm is also taking on a great risk — if she doesn't win, it receives nothing.

Now, Noonan wants to bring Novitas' services to Canada and plans to set up a Toronto operation in the summer or fall.

"Our next push is certainly Canada because, like the U.S., there's a lot of divorces," Noonan said.

The move would make it the first lender of its kind in this country, family law experts believe. But they're torn over whether the business is a novel solution that helps economically disadvantaged spouses or a new form of predatory lending.

Novitas is making extremely risky loans, which is why it charges so much interest and rejects nine in 10 applicants.

Loans that cover the high cost of divorce in Canada could be one part of a solution to a family law system that has become overly complex, expensive and time-consuming, said Trevor Farrow, associate dean at Osgoode Hall Law School.

"The upside of these kind of third party arrangements is they provide access to justice opportunities for people who otherwise couldn't afford them," he said.

"The downside with these sorts of things is it turns people's tragedies and people's disputes — particularly when they're at their most vulnerable — into business opportunities."

The expense of hiring a lawyer has led to an increasing number of spouses choosing to represent themselves. But there's still the problem of economic disparity between a moneyed and dependent spouse.

In Canada, the U.K. and the U.S., divorce lawyers are not allowed to represent clients in exchange for a share of the settlement, as they do for class action or personal injury cases. But there's nothing stopping a third party funder from stepping in.

Family lawyer Philip Epstein is skeptical about the need for this kind of service. High net worth clients are usually able to secure a line of credit, he said.

However, in Canada, the average divorce costs less than $15,000. And most of the time, people are fighting about children, not assets, he added.

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ECONOMY

Governments taking another look at guaranteed income

In the mid- to late-1970s, every single person in one rural Manitoba city received $1,255 a year — roughly $7,500 in today's dollars.

The amount increased depending on the number of people living in each household, maxing out at $3,969, or nearly $23,500 in 2016 currency, for a family of five or more.

The people in the Dauphin, Man., experiment didn't have to work to receive this stipend. If they did, their benefit dropped 50 cents for every dollar they received.

The residents of Dauphin just had to exist to receive their full guaranteed annual income.

About four decades later, policy-makers and the public in Canada and around the world are eyeing the basic guaranteed income scheme again, buoyed by an evolving labour landscape and technological advances that have left them wondering if today's social services are enough.

> "I think it's almost inevitable that this kind of a policy will be implemented."
> Evelyn Forget

Finland plans to launch a basic income pilot next year. The Swiss will soon vote on unconditional basic income in a referendum.

Closer to home, the Ontario government's latest budget promises to run a pilot in the future and multiple politicians across Canada have expressed interest in studying the idea.

"I think people are simply looking at the state of the economy and they're starting to focus on changes that have been taking place for a very long time," said Evelyn Forget, a professor at the University of Manitoba, who studied the so-called mincome experiment in Dauphin and continues to research data from the pilot.

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URBAN ETIQUETTE ELLEN VANSTONE

THE QUESTION

Do wedding invitations sent to single people really need to include a 'plus-one'? Is it wrong if hosts try to control costs by limiting plus-ones to invitees in relationships?

Dear Ellen,

My friend is getting married. Her mother insists that invites to single people have a "plus one" but my friend says this is an outdated idea and doesn't want to. Who's right?

X.B.

Dear X.B.,

Traditionalists will automatically employ the plus-one approach, but it's entirely acceptable nowadays to include the spouse, fiancé(e) or live-in partner of mated guests and let the singletons happily fend for themselves.

But, given that we're talking wedding etiquette here, be assured that, no matter what you do, someone will be offended. That I so much as asked my friends what they thought about the plus-one invite was insulting to some of them.

One felt that traditionalists who insist on a plus-one are judgmentally saying, "God forbid you should show up uncoupled to a sacred ritual honouring a yoked existence unto death!" Another pointed out that a major demographic shift in Canada and the U.S. has resulted in married couples no longer being in the majority. Ergo, senders of presumptuous plus-one invites could "shove it."

But a lot of people, like Sara, appreciate the gesture: "I love a plus-one, especially for a destination wedding.

Given that we're talking wedding etiquette here, be assured that, no matter what you do, someone will be offended

It doesn't mean I have to bring one but I like the option." Similarly, Maria said, "This type of invitation doesn't make any assumptions about your status or preferences. It's a guest, folks, and it's your choice to bring, or not bring, anyone you want."

Twenty-something Genna muses that "older people are always whining about how millennials are irresponsible and bad with money. But when we invent something like this, which saves money, they wail and whine that we have no respect for tradition." I'm not sure saving money in itself is a sufficient reason to break with tradition, but I applaud her thoughtful suggestion that hosts "just ask guests if they would like a plus-one" — though it might be infeasible if your guest list is in the triple digits.

Whichever way you go, there's bound to be complications. Keri had a bad breakup four days before a wedding. "I would have preferred to miss the event altogether but didn't want to disappoint my friend so told her I wouldn't be using the plus-one (and the reason why), with apologies. She demanded that I find someone to fill the seat so the +1 wouldn't go to 'waste.' I have no idea of the etiquette of that, but it seems to me that forced plus-ones are maybe as bad as no plus-ones at all?"

Another excruciating example comes from Nora: "My first marriage, ahem, split up a couple of days before a good friend's wedding. Because of the empty seat beside me, I was forced to lie over and over and over again all night about where my husband was because the seat hadn't been removed (even though the bride and groom knew — though, frankly, they had better things to worry about). So here's a point of etiquette for hosts: If a plus-one bails, then remove the flippin' place setting."

One person argued that she didn't want plus-ones at her wedding because she didn't want people there that she didn't know or didn't like. This kind of faulty reasoning I cannot condone, unless you are also willing to exclude partners of friends and family whom you barely know or find boring, boorish or otherwise obnoxious.

I'll give the last word to Aaron, who thinks guests should go along with whatever their hosts want to do on their big day, and adds, sensibly: "People need to be less offended by everything."

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ROSEMARY WESTWOOD

What women achieve when they can be more than just wives

Back in the ancient days of the 2015 federal election, I met a young Conservative operative for coffee.

I wanted to know: How did Stephen Harper speak to her, as a woman? And what did she make of feminism? She was nonplussed. We live in an equal society, she told me.

Oh, how I wish I could have handed her Rebecca Traister's new book All the Single Ladies: Unmarried Women and the Rise of an Independent Nation.

It is the definitive historical and modern account of unmarried women in the U.S. Even as a Canadian, reading it felt like hearing my own story told, in satisfying complexity, for the first time. In the extensive research and interviews with dozens of women, I found my own perpetual conundrum exposed: How can I best fight for all women's rights, in a world that already assumes equality? And more personally perplexing: How can I separate my own desires from society's insidious expectations? Traister said, I can't.

"When it comes, for example, to the distribution of domestic responsibility, one of the things you hear so often is, 'I'm just better at doing dishes; he leaves crap on the dishes,'" she told me during a trip to Toronto. "If we were at a place where we actually had gender equality, you could say that and it would be plausible. But because there are so many structural inequalities remaining, it makes it hard to untangle what is about individual preference."

Such depressing realities notwithstanding, the book is also a celebration of what women accomplish when they can be more than just wives. Did you know, for example, that single women were instrumental in the labour and abolition movements? Or that "it's single women who have perhaps played as large a part as anyone is saving marriage in America" by refusing to submit to its restrictions?

One of the most surprising aspects of the book is the way it shows that women still feel alone, freakish and conspicuous, at the exact moment when singledom has statistically outpaced marriage. And how that threat of female power has become politically dangerous because of the backlash it has inspired, including during this presidential election.

"It's very scary," Traister said. "I feel the election is going to come down to being a referendum to how we feel about the advancements of people of colour and of women." Some old-stock Americans, who have seen their privilege wane, are angry, she says, and could decide to take it out on those vulnerable groups.

In that sense, a book about women has a lot to say on why this U.S. election seems crazier than most.

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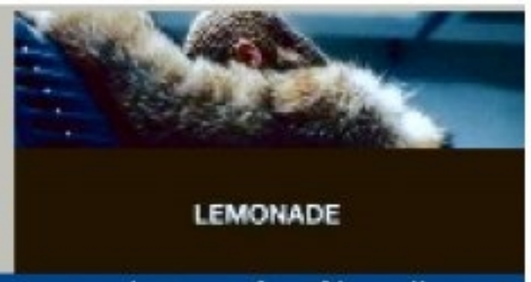

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Text-sized wisdom for grads

NEW RELEASE

Mom's advice book balances snark and seriousness

As a mother of two teens, Becky Blades wondered how it came to pass that kids leave home without the most basic survival skills. So she wrote a book they can take with them to school. ISTOCK

Becky Blades wrote her oldest daughter a letter after she left home for college offering all the advice and words of wisdom she wished she had dispensed beforehand.

Her daughter had some advice of her own: Turn the letter into a book. Blades, who lives in Kansas City, Mo., did just that and the result is a nifty, gifty little book titled, Do Your Laundry or You'll Die Alone, out in April from Sourcebooks.

Blades knows her audience, keeping her pearls mostly text length — and funny.

"They're in this short attention span stage of life," she said in a recent interview. "Our best communications happen in text. It's kind of that irritating motherly voice that we know and love, but at that stage in life they really don't like to hear it."

So how did it come to pass that kids leave home these days without the most basic survival skills: laundry, mending or the sense to know that good posture is slimming?

Yes, Millennial and Gen Z Virginia, SPEAK CLEARLY. Enunciate. Articulate. Spit out your gum.

"And we blame ourselves, or I did. I think it has to do with time and how much they have to do. The other piece is the things that they have to do to fill their time. When we were free-range humans, we went looking for things to do and family was kind of that place, and things were just kind of absorbed. Your mom said, 'Here, do the laundry, here's how.' My oldest was very ambitious and very driven and I gave her a laundry pass. She could hardly get her studies done. We help too much."

Now, her youngest is a college sophomore and her older, driven one just graduated from Harvard. And mom just got around to writing the book.

Blades numbers her bits of advice and inspiration, with 271 in all. She includes seven ruled blank pages at the end for moms and dads to write in their own pearls before handing the book over to their kids.

It was her oldest daughter's first day of senior year in high school when Blades realized exactly how much she had let slide. "There was a whole litany of things. I thought 'Have I ever had the birth control conversation, have I ever talked to her about this or this? What does the time get filled with?' It either gets filled with all the social media and things like YouTube. We don't sit around and tell grandma stories and pass down generational tidbits. We sit down and look at YouTube or say look at this or this on the computer," Blades said.

Rather than data-driven bullet points or chapters of soliloquy like so many parenting books are crammed with, Blades offers humour and snark to connect. Consider her No. 8:

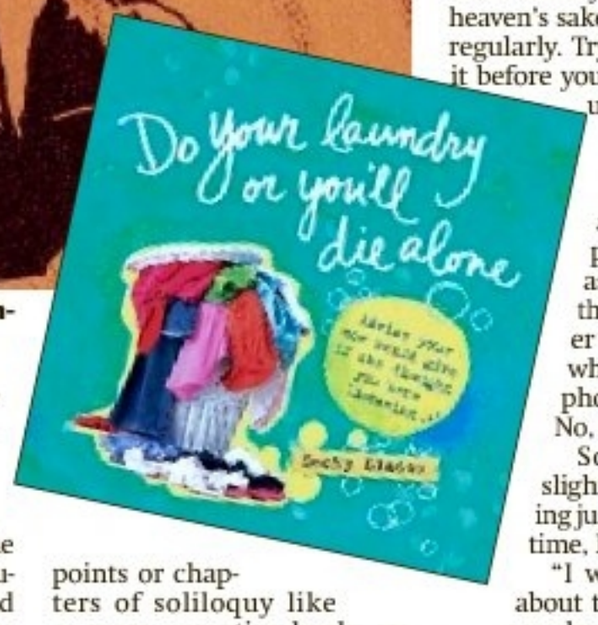
"Friends don't let friends: drive drunk, text while driving, get discount body art."

She wanted to cut to the chase and eliminate much of the noise in talking to teens. How much do they actually hear, anyway?

No. 202 is a good example: "Reinvent yourself as often as you want. Just keep the essence that makes you you."

And this less funny but truly important tip in No. 233: "Check your paycheque. Make sure you know how much you are being paid and what is being taken out."

Blades leaves no topic uncovered: Buy a sewing kit and learn to use it. Cotton always shrinks so buy big. Wool shrinks when you get it wet, and shrinks some more when you dry it. And, for heaven's sake, do your laundry regularly. Try every week. Do it before you run out of clean underwear. She takes on sex, bullying, common courtesy, etiquette and basic interpersonal skills such as: "Look people in the eye. You'll discover this is hard to do while looking at your phone" and, "Listen. No, but really listen."



So are her girls, slightly older now, doing just that? Most of the time, Blades said.

"I was talking a lot about the book before it was done, so they're really sick of hearing about it," she said. "Their dad will always say, 'Hey guys, that's in the book. For cryin' out loud, it's in the book.'"

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FASHION

Jason Wu feted at CAFA gala

Jason Wu has added to his lengthy list of accolades with a win at the Canadian Arts & Fashion Awards. The award-winning New York-based designer was named international Canadian designer of the year at the CAFA gala in Toronto on Friday.

The award recognizes a designer that has achieved success abroad and brought attention to Canadian talent on the world stage. The Taiwanese-born Wu moved when he was nine to Vancouver, where he learned how to sew, draft patterns and sketch in fashion proportions by using dolls as mannequins.

Among Wu's high-profile clients is Michelle Obama. The wife of U.S. President Barack Obama has worn creations by the designer throughout her husband's presidency, including luxurious gowns for both inaugurations.

She wore a strapless gown designed by Wu during the White House state dinner held in honour of Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and his wife Sophie Gregoire Trudeau last month.

Gregoire Trudeau was among the famous faces in attendance at the CAFAs, which recognize homegrown talent within the arts and fashion community.

In a first-time partnership, CAFA is teaming up with the Toronto Maple Leafs on a program that will seek out two fashion designers to create men's and women's capsule collections for the 2017-18 NHL season.

This year's gala was held at the Fairmont Royal York Hotel, and was hosted by actress Kim Cattrall of Sex and the City fame, who currently stars on the Toronto-shot series Sensitive Skin.

Toronto-based label Greta Constantine — which recently marked its 10th anniversary — was recognized with womenswear designer of the year honours for duo Kirk Pickersgill and Stephen Wong.

Vancouver-based label Wings + Horns was named menswear designer of the year.

Reigning Mercedes-Benz Start Up winner UNTTLD was also victorious at the CAFAs. The Montreal-based label helmed by Jose Manuel St-Jacques and Simon Belanger was recognized with the emerging talent in fashion design award.

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Jason Wu was named international Canadian designer of the year at the CAFA gala on Friday. THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

MONEY MANAGEMENT

Dare to dream of being debt free

Being in debt can get you down, but allow yourself to imagine what life will be like when you rid yourself of it. ISTOCK

Gail Vaz-Oxlade
For Metro Canada

It's tough staying motivated when you're living on a budget and you feel like it'll never end. So, you know how people go out and buy a lottery ticket so they can dream big for a week? Here's something you can do that will not only put some dreaming back into your life, but help keep you moving towards becoming debt-free forever.

Imagine for a moment that you have finally paid off your last debt. That likely means you have all that money you've been snowballing for debt repayment that can now be incorporated back into your budget. It's almost like getting a raise, right? So what would you do with that money?

Recalculate your budget assuming your debt is gone and all that debt repayment money is yours for the keeping.

This is a great exercise for three reasons:

1. You will remind yourself of just how dumb debt is.

2. You will enjoy the anticipation of being debt free and that'll help keep you on track.

3. You can start planning what you'll do with the money once you do get to debt-free forever.

This third point is just as important as the first two. Sometimes, having finally achieved debt freedom, folks become intoxicated with all the extra money they have. They start thinking of themselves as "rich" and stop paying attention to the details.

The flip side of this is the unwillingness to spend that sometimes comes after years of living frugally. Having scared yourself to death and promised to always be vigilant about not "wasting" money, you could find it extremely difficult to go out and spend.

Both these reactions are just that: reactions. They are emotional. They aren't based in logic or sound money management. And one of the best ways to overcome them is to start looking at how life will be different down the road so you can get used to the idea of finally being debt-free.

No one says that the first budget you make has to be the budget you end up living with. This is your opportunity to practise, at least on paper, how you'll deal with the extra money you have in your cash flow once the final payment on your debt is made. At first you may want to just blow through some money because you can. Or you may finally be able to start saving towards home ownership, going back to school, or a long-wished-for family vacation.

It's your money. You can do anything you want with it. Take your new budget and post it up on your bulletin board or on your refrigerator. Look at it. Enjoy it.

For more money advice, visit Gail's website at gailvazoxlade.com

BOOK EXCERPT **STUFF EVERY GRADUATE SHOULD KNOW BY ALYSSA FAVREAU**

How to coexist with your roommates

How to Coexist with Roommates

Whether you're best friends intent on spending all your free time together or civil strangers who happen to share a home, a positive stress-free roommate relationship is the best kind. Here's how to stay happy, friendly, and sane when problems arise.

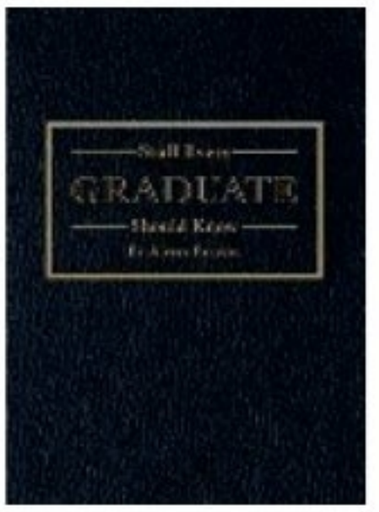
Problem: Your roommate is all up in your business and you can't stand it.
Solution: The key to living well communally is setting clear boundaries beforehand (quiet hours, off-limits spaces like bedrooms, shared food, etc.), but if your roomies accidentally use all your expensive salon shampoo while making noise after midnight and hogging the bathroom, don't flip! Give them the benefit of the doubt — they probably just didn't know. Politely point out the transgression, remind them you're not mad (even if you are, a little), and establish a clear protocol for similar situations going forward.

Problem: You're doing all the chores.
Solution: What we have here is a failure to communicate. One person's "clean" is another person's "barely touched with a sponge." Approach your roommate with a friendly smile and discuss what should be cleaned and when. If things still go unscrubbed, talk again and institute a structured official system (yes, you can tack a chore chart on the fridge if you want). If it gets really nasty, consider asking your 'mates to pitch in for maid service.

Problem: Resentment is brewing and everyone is tense.
Solution: Talk early, clearly, and often. Consider having regular house meetings (especially if you're three or more people) when complaints and questions can be aired — an established forum to deal with issues will make it easier to address perpetual milk stealing or the couple whose nighttime fun is messing up everyone else's sleep schedules. If things get heated or worse, remind everyone that you're speaking up because you want a happy household. Be willing to compromise, for the love of the group's mental health. Sometimes you get to stand firm on everyone flushing the toilet, other times you'll have to cave and buy the detergent because you use it more than anyone else. That's (roommate) life.

Problem: You've really tried to give this thing a shot, but your living situation is just not working.
Solution: Some people don't get along in close quarters. Maybe you make good friends but terrible roommates, maybe you didn't anticipate awful significant others or just how bothersome loud midnight snack-making could be. If it's not a good situation, moving out could save the friendship and your sanity. Just pack it in responsibly: give at least one or two months' heads-up, and if you still have time on the lease, find a subletter that your roommate is comfortable with. Don't steal away in the night and leave your roomie scrambling to cover costs you signed up for.

Author Alyssa Favreau. HANDOUT



As a recent graduate, you may have questions about the adult world you are poised to enter. Alyssa Favreau offers advice on building a grownup wardrobe and writing a cover letter to buying a car and using credit cards. Here is her advice to anyone who is about to find themselves living with a roommate.

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TECHNOLOGY

Facebook users irked over ID demands

Thousands of Sarah Bell's online friends knew her only by her roller derby nickname, R'effin Adora Bell. Facebook simply knew her as a brazen offender of its real-name policy.

Bell was locked out of her account for using a pseudonym — for security reasons, she says, and was shocked to learn how Facebook demanded she prove her identity. Facebook insisted she share digital copies of her passport and driver's licence to get her account back. After a five-week battle to maintain her privacy, she reluctantly gave in.

"Eventually I had no choice," she says with a sigh while detailing last year's incident. "They shut down my primary mode of communication with people.... I couldn't argue with them anymore."

Bell's experience is far from rare. Daily complaints on Facebook and Twitter suggest lockdowns in so-called "Facebook jail" have been a regular occurrence for years, and often for unclear reasons. Technology lawyer David Fewer questions why the social-media giant can't verify users through other means. Just because it's a condition of use doesn't make it right, he says. "There are other kinds of mechanisms available to Facebook to get after identities," says Fewer, director of the Ottawa-based Canadian Internet Policy & Public Interest Clinic. "Just because bad stuff happens, that doesn't mean that we all ought to be providing our identities and our identity documents just to use a service like this."

Fewer notes that privacy laws prevent companies from keeping personal information longer than they require, and organizations like Facebook don't want to store such data since it increases liabilities. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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JOHANNA SCHNELLER **WHAT I'M WATCHING**

A classic, satisfying TV-movie ending

THE SHOW: Confirmation (HBO) THE MOMENT: The letters

Law professor Anita Hill (Kerry Washington) has been through hell.

She didn't want to testify that U.S. Supreme Court nominee Clarence Thomas (Wendell Pierce) sexually harassed her when she worked for him. As she says, "When someone comes forward, the victim becomes the villain."

But she made her case on live TV, and it divided the nation. Now he's been approved by the U.S. Senate, 52 to 48, and she's returning to her university office.

She pauses in the doorway. Stacks of mail bins stuffed with letters rest on every surface. Opening one at random, she reads aloud: "Dear Professor Hill, for 25 years my boss has treated me like his personal property… Watching you this week felt like I was watching someone stand up for me." For the first time in her ordeal, Hill cries.

"Anita Hill … didn't want to testify that U.S. Supreme Court Nominee Clarence Thomas sexually harassed her. She says, 'When someone comes forward, the victim becomes the villain'

This is the classic historical telefilm ending: the triumphant loss. Our heroine didn't win her war, but her courage shone a light on an important issue and opened the door for new battles.

As an end-crawl tells us, in the wake of Hill's hearing, the number of sexual harassment cases filed with the Equal Opportunity Commission doubled, 42 per cent of women federal workers reported they'd been sexually harassed recently, and the next congressional election saw the largest number of women win in U.S. history.

The triumphant loss allows filmmakers to have it both ways: They stir our moral outrage while fanning our hope — and remind us that, 20 years later, harassment victims are still fighting the same battle.

Johanna Schneller is a media connoisseur who zeroes in on pop-culture moments. She appears Monday through Thursday.

Kerry Washington is law professor Anita Hill in Confirmation. HBO

'The Body' was a model trailblazer

Supermodel Elle Macpherson at the Fairmont Royal York Hotel in Toronto, where she accepted the Vanguard Award at the Canadian Arts & Fashion Awards. GEORGE PIMENTEL

INTERVIEW

Macpherson paved the way for social media stars

Shinan Govani
For Torstar News Service

The woman born Eleanor Nancy Gow, down under, swoops into the Fairmont Royal York, her mouth a half-moon grin. Her beauty, amped up to an 11, is as taunting as the chocolate on a pillow they leave you at the poshest of hotels.

"She's 52?!" is the general chant in the ballroom, where the guests milling on Friday night include Sophie Gregoire-Trudeau, Galen Weston Jr. and Kim Cattrall.

Known for years as Elle Macpherson, having amassed a career in which she managed the tightrope between swimsuit model and capital-F Fashion model, and then became a second-act self-mogul, she'd arrived in Toronto to receive the Vanguard Award at the Canadian Arts & Fashion Awards. Worth around $45 million, and with the flush that comes with a newly acquired mogul-husband, she was the portrait of easy boho-chick.

The insouciance belies an iron will, as was made all too clear when I met her for a chat earlier that day.

"The strongest drink I take is ginger ale," she demurred, going on to describe her no-alcohol, no-red-meat, little-coffee, all-alkaline diet (one, no doubt, harnessed by her own wellness brand, WelleCo, which boasts a green powder elixir, among other miracles). Regrets? She's had a few. "I wish I'd worn sunblock," she shrugged, adding, "I grew up in the '70s in Australia."

Macpherson was a harbinger of all the Kendalls and Gigis who fill the modelling sphere now, a world of FaceTime, of near-constant streaming, of a fashion scene that hinges on hashtags.

In 1994, she left Ford Models to form her own company, Elle Macpherson Inc., knocking out the middleman, later creating her own calendar after years on the Sports Illustrated Swimsuit Issue (she appeared on the cover a record five times).

Before that, she'd founded her intimates line, leveraging the nickname "The Body" handed to her in a famous Time story. This was well before "branding" was a concept that 10-year-olds learn in the playground.

$45M
SUPERMODEL ELLE MACPHERSON'S ESTIMATED NET WORTH

Leveraging her fame in a swath of ways, including a drive on the model-to-actor expressway, her stint in acting was abbreviated at best, but it did last long enough for her to do everything from with Barbra Streisand (This Mirror Has Two Faces), snog a Sir (Anthony Hopkins in The Edge), bewitch Joey Tribbiani (recurring on Friends), and live down the indignities of George Clooney's most notorious pivot (ah, yes, Batman and Robin).

Something I'd noticed on her résumé, from those days, gets an effusive response from her: She remains the only supermodel to have hosted Saturday Night Live.

"I'd forgotten that!" Elle says. And I kinda believe her. "One of the best experiences I ever had," she shares, going on to recall that she broke down in giggles during her monologue. "I'm not sure Lorne (Michaels) liked that."

Slouching back on a sofa in a little nook inside The Bay, Macpherson happily hop-scotches with me down other lanes.

Curious about the new chapter she's been living lately in Miami, after residing in the U.K. for 17 years, I ask Macpherson about the change. She is sanguine. "I love the Latin influence . . . the growing art scene . . . and, of course, the weather."

Love was what lured her, of course. After a starter-marriage with French photographer Gilles Bensimon, and then a long union with French financier Arpad Busson (with whom she bore two sons, now 17 and 13), she finally made it official again with billionaire realtor Jeffrey Soffer.

Have family. Will blend. She tells me that Canada looms now in their clan because her stepson plays hockey, and she's trotted up here for tournaments.

Blessed in both work and love, and in possession of the Fountain of Youth, is there anything that "The Body" can't do? Turns out she's a dunce at selfies. When asked for one by an admirer while in Toronto, I saw her wrestle for many minutes with the phone. She tried sitting. She tilted this way and that. Exasperated, she muttered, "I'm no good at selfies."

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CLOONEY CLASH

Star takes heat from Sanders supporters at Clinton fundraiser

Actor George Clooney would like to get big money out of politics — so he doesn't have to raise it.

Clooney hosted two weekend fundraisers in California for Democratic presidential hopeful Hillary Clinton. Donations topped $353,000 per couple. The event drew pro-Bernie Sanders demonstrators, Clooney recounted in an interview. He said they called him a corporate shill. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Warriors superstar Stephen Curry is questionable for Game 2 against Houston as he nurses an ankle injury

Whitecaps' struggle to score continues

MLS

Vancouver has been shut out in three straight games

Cam Tucker
Metro | Vancouver

The same problem that plagued the Vancouver Whitecaps in the final months of last season continues in 2016, and it's reaching staggering new levels.

The Whitecaps haven't scored since March 26. They've been shut out in three straight games, or more than 337 minutes. And, following a 1-0 loss to undefeated Real Salt Lake on Saturday, Vancouver's drought of scoring from open play has reached seven straight games.

Maybe it was a nuisance early in the season, as the club, with some new additions like Masato Kudo and Christian Bolanos, worked through its kinks on the attack. It's now a problem. Outside of four goals from penalty kicks and two from set plays, the Whitecaps have been unsuccessful on every other attempt they've had at a goal. As a result, their record is 2-4-1 and they sit ninth in the Western Conference.

Vancouver's group of strikers epitomizes the slump.

Octavio Rivero played the full 90 minutes versus Real Salt Lake and had two shots but nothing to show for them. He's gone six games without a goal to begin the year, extending his struggles from last season following a red-hot start to 2015 that seems so long ago now.

Octavio Rivero, right, has yet to score this season — and he's just one Whitecaps player having a difficult time on offence. DARRYL DYCK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

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The Whitecaps' goal differential — they have scored six goals and surrendered 11.

Kudo, who had success scoring in Japan and was a prized acquisition for this club during the winter, has had two shots on goal in five games for the Whitecaps.

It's definitely possible to overcome a slow start in Major League Soccer. It's the middle of April.

But the Whitecaps, who entered this season with such high expectations, aren't showing any real signs that they're about to suddenly overcome this slump, and it doesn't help matters that midfielder Pedro Morales, often the leading catalyst for the attack, is still out with a hip injury.

"It comes back to bite you in the bum when you miss chance after chance … after chance," head coach Carl Robinson told reporters. "Unfortunately we're going to have to take that."

Unfortunately, this has become the same old story for the Whitecaps.

NHL PLAYOFFS

Blues retake upper hand in Windy City

The St. Louis Blues kept pushing and pushing until a costly play by Patrick Kane provided an opening. And there was nothing for the Chicago Blackhawks to challenge.

Jaden Schwartz scored at 13:32 of the third period with Kane in the penalty box for high-sticking, and the Blues beat the Blackhawks 3-2 on Sunday for a 2-1 lead in their first-round playoff series.

Patrik Berglund and rookie Colton Parayko also scored as St. Louis rallied after a difficult 3-2 loss in Game 2 that included two key coach's challenges that went against the Blues — one of them wiping out a tiebreaking goal for Vladimir Tarasenko.

GAME 3 in Chicago

3	2
BLUES	HAWKS

Brian Elliott made 44 saves.

"No one said it was going to be a short series and even with them getting the win in Game 2, that didn't affect us," Schwartz said. "We came out and executed again today and we did a good job of that."

Brent Seabrook and Artem Anisimov scored for the Blackhawks, who dropped to 28-7 in home playoff games since the 2013. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

EASTERN CONFERENCE RESULTS

Islanders rally for OT win
Thomas Hickey scored 12:31 into overtime to lift the Islanders to a 4-3 victory over the Florida Panthers on Sunday in Game 3 of their first-round series, giving New York a 2-1 lead in the best-of-seven showdown.

Wings get on the board
Andreas Athanasiou and Henrik Zetterberg scored, Petr Mrazek made 16 saves and the Detroit Red Wings beat the Tampa Bay Lightning 2-0 on Sunday night. Detroit cut its deficit to 2-1 in the first-round series.

NBA PLAYOFFS

Spurs open series with a laugher

Kawhi Leonard had 20 points and the San Antonio Spurs beat Memphis 106-74 on Sunday night in Game 1 of their Western Conference first-round series, handing the Grizzlies their worst post-season loss.

LaMarcus Aldridge added 17 points, and Tony Parker had 15 points and six assists for San Antonio. The Spurs sat their starters in the fourth quarter to rest them for Game 2 on Tuesday night in San Antonio.

GAME 1 in San Antonio

106	74
SPURS	GRIZZLIES

San Antonio shot 68 per cent in the third quarter, outscoring Memphis 33-14 to break open what had been a relatively close game against the short-handed Grizzlies. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

OTHER GAME 1s

Cavs hold off pesky Pistons
Kyrie Irving scored 31 points in his first playoff game since being injured in last year's NBA Finals, leading the Cleveland Cavaliers to a 106-101 win over the young and confident Detroit Pistons.

Hornets fade in Miami Heat
Luol Deng scored 31 points on 11-for-13 shooting, Hassan Whiteside added 21 points and 11 rebounds, and the Miami Heat wasted no time taking control of what became a 123-91 win over the Charlotte Hornets.

CANUCKS

Horvat's ups and downs as a sophomore

The learning curve for Bo Horvat from his first NHL season to his second appeared steep at times, placed in a role beyond his experience.

In a season of growing pains for Vancouver's youngsters, Horvat's case was often used as Exhibit A. He went 27 games without a goal and even his minus-30 was referenced to illustrate the difficulties he endured, even if the plus-minus stat is being phased out with the rise of analytics.

As a rookie, he was mostly sheltered on the fourth line.

As a sophomore, Horvat was given more responsibility: penalty killing and power play. And he was put into a second-line role because of injuries to Brandon Sutter.

Horvat is the first in that wave of young players joining Vancouver's roster as it transitions, but that's a lot to ask of a 21-year-old.

"It was unfair to him, the pressure that was put on him, I think, from media and fans," said Henrik Sedin, who has been there, done that with brother Daniel Sedin.

Bo Horvat of an early season slump: "It definitely sucked." GETTY IMAGES

"For me, just because you get one year older doesn't mean you get a lot better. It's going to take time and a lot of work needs to be put in. He got put onto a role where maybe he shouldn't have been this year."

Despite a slow start, Horvat still finished the season with 16 goals and 40 points, developing chemistry with winger Sven Baertschi and improving on his bottom-line production numbers from the previous campaign.

"It definitely sucked," said Horvat of his earlier slump. "I'm not going to lie. It wasn't easy." CAM TUCKER/METRO

Frankly fantastic

MLB

Blue Jays right-hander Sanchez silences Red Sox

Aaron Sanchez learned not to let little things bother him.

Sanchez allowed two hits in seven innings of one-run ball, and Jose Bautista drove in two runs with a solo homer and a double to lead the Toronto Blue Jays over the Boston Red Sox 5-3 Sunday.

Cruising with a no-hit bid two outs into the fifth, Sanchez gave up a broken-bat single to Marco Hernandez. He dropped his head a bit and muttered.

A stolen base and RBI single later, he was back in the dugout. It didn't affect the rest of his outing.

"I think that was a big learning curve. That only happened a start ago," the 23-year-old said.

"For me, it's going back out there, attacking the zone and not letting something affect me like I did my last start."

Toronto manager John Gibbons noticed the maturity, too.

SUNDAY In Boston

5	3
BLUE JAYS	RED SOX

"I've seen young guys that give up a hit and give up a run, and the next thing you know they've imploded," he said. "That stood out to me. I've seen it too many times before."

Edwin Encarnacion added two singles and an RBI for the Jays, who had lost two straight and were 1-4 against the Red Sox. Kevin Pillar had three singles and made two nice catches in centre after being dropped from leadoff to eighth in the batting order.

Travis Shaw hit a two-run homer off closer Roberto Osuna for Boston, which had won three straight. Hernandez had his first major league hit.

The teams meet in the finale of the four-game series on Monday in Boston's annual Patriots' Day game.

Sanchez (1-0) struck out seven and walked four.

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Aaron Sanchez got his first win of the season on Sunday in Boston. RICH GAGNON/GETTY IMAGES

LA LIGA

Barça in free fall

The fight for the Spanish league title is tighter than ever thanks to a surprise collapse by Barcelona atop the standings.

The once-unbeatable Barcelona fell to Valencia 2-1 at the Camp Nou on Sunday, losing its third straight game to allow Atletico Madrid to draw level on points with five rounds to go.

Atletico erased Barcelona's lead by beating Granada 3-0 earlier Sunday. Real Madrid is only one point behind after winning 5-1 at last-place Getafe on Saturday. Atletico was trailing by nine points three rounds ago, and Real Madrid was 12 points back four games ago. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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IN BRIEF

Leicester claw for a point

Leicester forward Leonardo Ulloa scored a penalty in the fifth minute of stoppage time to rescue a 2-2 draw for the Premier League leaders against West Ham after top-scorer Jamie Vardy was sent off on Sunday.

And by avoiding a first loss in two months, Leicester extended its lead to eight points ahead of second-place Tottenham which plays at Stoke on Monday.

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FC Dallas get win No. 5

Mauro Rosales broke a tie in the 68th minute and MLS-leading Dallas beat Sporting Kansas City 2-1 on Sunday.

Rosales entered as a substitute in the 63rd minute and scored off a free kick five minutes later.

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Muirhead tops Jones in Players' Championship

Scotland's Eve Muirhead won her third Players' Championship title with a 9-6 victory over Winnipeg's Jennifer Jones on Sunday afternoon in the women's final in Toronto.

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RECIPE Niçoise Pasta

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Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh
For Metro Canada

This recipe is the cozy, pasta version of my all-time favourite salads. And I bet you have most of the ingredients in your pantry right now.

Ready in
Prep time: 5 minutes
Cook time: 20 minutes

Ingredients
- 500 grams spaghetti
- 3 Tbsps olive oil
- 3 cloves garlic, crushed
- 1/2 cup black olives, pitted and roughly chopped
- 1 pint cherry tomatoes, roughly chopped
- 1/4 cup capers
- 2 x 5 oz tin of tuna, drained
- 3 or 4 leaves of fresh basil, torn into pieces
- 1/2 cup Parmesan, grated

Directions

1. Put a bit pot of well-salted water on to boil. Cook pasta according to package instructions. Just before you drain, remove 1 cup of cooking liquid and set aside

2. In another large pot, warm up olive oil over medium heat. Toss in garlic, tomatoes, olives and capers. Stir and let the garlic cook for a couple of minutes. Add the tuna and break it up a bit, not too much.

3. Add the cooked pasta and toss together until the pasta is well-coated and the rest of the ingredients are spread throughout. Pour in your cooking liquid bit by bit until the pasta loosens up.

4. Serve with a topping of grated Parmesan and fresh basil.

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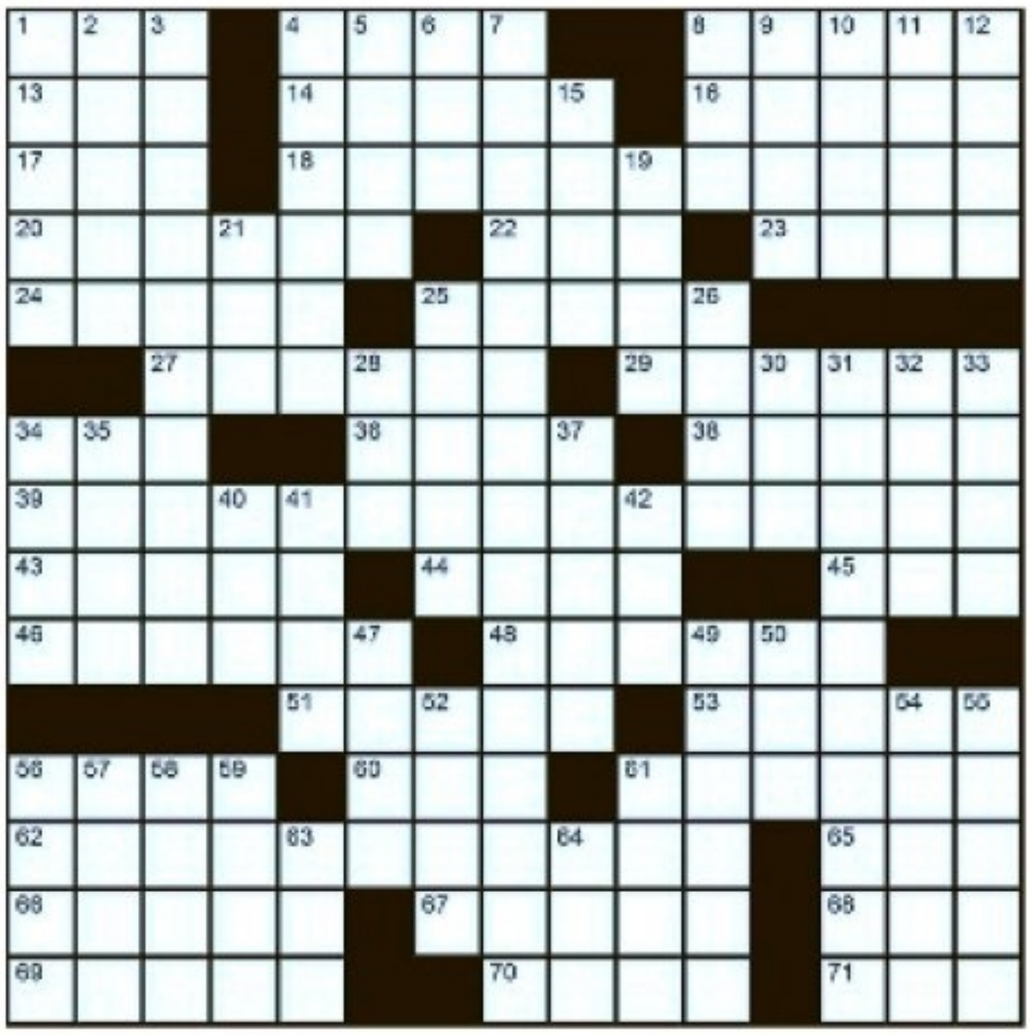

ACROSS
1. TV part [abbr.]
4. Money
8. Happen
13. Howe'er
14. Run __ of (Conflict)
16. __ wheat bread
17. Vodka, e.g.
18. Lotto Max's extra prizes when the jackpot reaches $50,000,000
20. More mawkish
22. Quebec 'friend'
23. Thundering sound
24. Without a ___ stand on
25. Pray at the pew
27. Guarantee
29. More fictitious
34. TV personality Ms. Vieira, to pals
36. Diana __ & The Supremes
38. Bishop's hat
39. Barrens Willow of Newfoundland, as an example of one unique to Canada: 2 wds.
43. Brandon __ Hilary Swank Oscar-winning role
44. Prefix to 'bat' (Circus performer)
45. Froms opposites
46. Author Mr. Hemingway
48. Discount
51. Blender setting
53. "___ Feel the Noize": 1983 hit for Quiet Riot
56. "Scram!"
60. Cave's ceiling clinger
61. '70s songstress Ms. Carpenter's (Hey! I'm over here!)
62. 'Natural Region' of the Tuktut Nogait National Park in the Northwest Territories: 2 wds.
65. Napoleonic†Wars marshal
66. Bandleader/clarinettist Mr. Shaw
67. "Can't you ___?"
68. Food container
69. __ Ambition (Madonna's 1990 world tour)
70. Movie studio
71. Canadian engineering group, ___-Lavalin

DOWN
1. Lesley of "60 Minutes"
2. Ms. Sevigny
3. Landscaper's creation: 2 wds.
4. Engraved-head necklace pieces
5. Way off
6. Chicago White __
7. CFHS = Canadian Federation of ___ (Host of the National Animal Welfare Conference, in Toronto from April 16th to 19th, 2016)
8. Hedwig, for one
9. Fashionable
10. Hip
11. Forearm bone
12. Reply to, briefly
15. Green hue
19. Poet's 'willingly'
21. TGIF part
25. Iceland monetary unit
26. Desk light
28. 'Text' suffix
30. Small, small-ly
31. Financial mailings
32. Mr. Rubik (Rubik's Cube inventor)
33. Soaks flax
34. Bitty bug
35. Vitality [abbr.]
37. __ protector (Electronics store purchase)
40. Suffix with 'Hero'
41. Heave
42. Ben, to Brian Mulroney
47. Band's big brass
49. Irish playwright Sean (b.1880 - d.1964)
50. Karel Capek sci-fi play
52. Hurrays!
54. To ___ Paradise (Edgar Allan Poe poem)
55. "Tearin' Up My Heart" quintet
56. Wild guess
57. Lose yer lunch
58. Catch __ ('Get')
59. Aesir ruler
61. J-O link
63. Canadian flag colour
64. British singer Mr. Sayer

IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

Aries March 21 - April 20
Take a look in the mirror today. What can you do to improve yourself? Ponder this today, but wait until tomorrow to act.

Taurus April 21 - May 21
A secret love affair with someone older might take place today. Others might make private plans with someone who is more experienced or in a position of authority.

Gemini May 22 - June 21
Don't hesitate to ask someone older or more experienced for his or her advice today, because you will benefit. The tricky thing is that tomorrow is a better day to apply whatever you learn.

Cancer June 22 - July 23
Discussions with authority figures will be friendly and helpful today. However, do not volunteer for anything today — wait until tomorrow.

Leo July 24 - Aug. 23
Today you will appreciate the creative efforts of others, especially people from other countries or different cultures. Do not buy anything today except for gas and food.

Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
A romantic relationship with someone older might begin today. If you have discussions about shared property and inheritances, wait until tomorrow to make important decisions.

Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
This is a good day to discuss problems with a friend or a partner, because your sense of reality is strong. However, to be wise, wait until tomorrow to agree to anything important.

Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
You want to protect what you have at work today; however, it's imperative to know this is a poor day for important decisions. Just get your facts.

Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
Relations with children will be serious today. Even romantic relationships will involve discussions about responsibilities and shared expenses. Wait until tomorrow to know what you really want to do.

Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
This is a good day to get your facts in order so that you can secure your family in a better way for the future. Someone older might have advice for you. Make your decision tomorrow.

Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
It will be easy to attend to routine tasks that require attention to detail, because your mind is focused today. However, if you are signing important documents, wait until tomorrow.

Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
Your approach to finances will be conservative today. Do not buy anything today except for gas and food.

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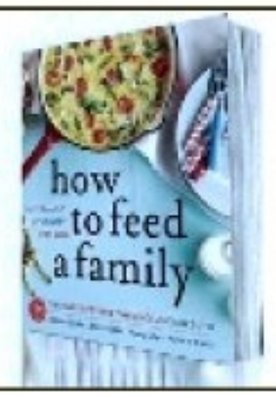

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